

Fort McPherson, World War II Station Hospital,
G.U. Treatment Unit Lavatory (Building No. 121)
Hood Avenue
Atlanta
Fulton County
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FORT MCPHERSON,
WORLD WAR II STATION HOSPITAL,
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- Location: Hood Avenue, Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.
- Significance: Building 121 was built as a 200-man lavatory for the G.U. Treatment Unit of the Station Hospital. It signifies the expansion of the Fort McPherson Station Hospital during World War II and the role of the T.O. 700 series in mobilization construction. The Unit was built in 1942 to treat men with genitourinary ailments.
- Description: Located in the center of the G.U. Treatment Complex, this Lavatory served the men living in the eight barracks/wards along Nininger Way. The Lavatory is a rectangular, 20'-0" x 50'-0" building with two entrances, one into the original toilet room and the other into a heater room. The structure is built of hollow tile, with roofing paper covering the gable ends and composition shingling covering the roof. The foundation is concrete, as are the floors. The building features six-over-six-light double-hung wood sash windows with exterior grilles. The lower half of the windows are glazed in translucent glass for privacy. The west elevation door has been replaced with a garage opening and a new door has been cut into the south elevation.
- History: Building 121 was built as a Type L-E-T Lavatory according to plans T.O. 700-6605. It cost \$5,629 to construct. The lavatory was the larger of two such structures built for the G.U. Treatment Unit. It remained a lavatory after the war, but was later converted to a warehouse.
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